

Table 4-3
Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Nova Scotia

	April 2010	May 2010	S.E. ¹	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	775.3	775.3	...	0.0	0.8	3.2	0.0	0.1	0.4
Labour force	496.6	501.1	2.7	4.5	1.2	2.0	0.9	0.2	0.4
Employment	453.8	457.3	2.9	3.5	5.3	2.3	0.8	1.2	0.5
Employment full-time	368.5	371.3	3.6	2.8	2.5	-4.2	0.8	0.7	-1.1
Unemployment	42.8	43.8	2.6	1.0	-4.0	-0.2	2.3	-8.4	-0.5
Participation rate	64.1	64.6	0.4	0.5	0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.6	8.7	0.5	0.1	-0.9	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.5	59.0	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.8	18.8	0.7	0.0	0.4	1.3	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	119.4	119.3	...	-0.1	-0.5	-1.0	-0.1	-0.4	-0.8
Labour force	78.9	78.6	1.6	-0.3	-3.4	-2.3	-0.4	-4.1	-2.8
Employment	68.3	67.2	1.6	-1.1	-1.1	-0.3	-1.6	-1.6	-0.4
Unemployment	10.6	11.4	1.5	0.8	-2.2	-2.1	7.5	-16.2	-15.6
Participation rate	66.1	65.9	1.3	-0.2	-2.5	-1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.4	14.5	1.7	1.1	-2.1	-2.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.2	56.3	1.3	-0.9	-0.7	0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	44.5	46.3	2.5	1.8	0.3	2.0	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	312.6	312.7	...	0.1	0.6	2.1	0.0	0.2	0.7
Labour force	214.3	216.4	1.5	2.1	2.4	-0.1	1.0	1.1	0.0
Employment	197.3	198.4	1.7	1.1	3.6	0.8	0.6	1.8	0.4
Unemployment	17.0	18.0	1.6	1.0	-1.2	-0.9	5.9	-6.2	-4.8
Participation rate	68.6	69.2	0.5	0.6	0.6	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.9	8.3	0.7	0.4	-0.7	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.1	63.4	0.5	0.3	1.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.5	7.7	0.7	0.3	1.2	0.4	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	343.3	343.3	...	0.0	0.6	2.2	0.0	0.2	0.6
Labour force	203.4	206.1	1.5	2.7	2.2	4.5	1.3	1.1	2.2
Employment	188.2	191.7	1.5	3.5	2.8	1.7	1.9	1.5	0.9
Unemployment	15.2	14.5	1.3	-0.7	-0.5	2.9	-4.6	-3.3	25.0
Participation rate	59.2	60.0	0.4	0.8	0.5	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.5	7.0	0.6	-0.5	-0.4	1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.8	55.8	0.4	1.0	0.7	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.4	20.7	1.1	-0.7	-0.1	2.2	...	...	...
Industry	453.8	457.3	2.9	3.5	5.3	2.3	0.8	1.2	0.5
Goods-producing sector	87.7	89.6	2.4	1.9	4.1	5.6	2.2	4.8	6.7
Agriculture	5.8	6.2	0.7	0.4	0.9	0.1	6.9	17.0	1.6
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	12.7	12.9	1.1	0.2	0.8	-0.1	1.6	6.6	-0.8
Utilities	3.9	3.7	0.4	-0.2	-0.2	0.9	-5.1	-5.1	32.1
Construction	32.0	32.5	1.5	0.5	0.4	2.8	1.6	1.2	9.4
Manufacturing	33.3	34.3	1.4	1.0	2.2	1.8	3.0	6.9	5.5
Services-producing sector	366.0	367.7	3.0	1.7	1.2	-3.4	0.5	0.3	-0.9
Trade	74.2	75.3	2.1	1.1	-0.3	-0.1	1.5	-0.4	-0.1
Transportation and warehousing	18.3	18.4	1.1	0.1	-0.8	-3.3	0.5	-4.2	-15.2
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	25.6	24.7	1.0	-0.9	0.8	2.1	-3.5	3.3	9.3
Professional, scientific and technical services	24.7	25.9	1.1	1.2	2.8	3.6	4.9	12.1	16.1
Business, building and other support services	24.4	23.8	1.3	-0.6	1.2	-1.1	-2.5	5.3	-4.4
Educational services	34.2	33.7	1.4	-0.5	-3.5	-4.7	-1.5	-9.4	-12.2
Health care and social assistance	68.3	68.3	1.6	0.0	0.7	7.1	0.0	1.0	11.6
Information, culture and recreation	19.2	20.5	1.1	1.3	2.7	0.3	6.8	15.2	1.5
Accommodation and food services	29.2	30.8	1.4	1.6	2.4	-1.2	5.5	8.5	-3.8
Other services	17.8	17.6	1.2	-0.2	-2.9	-1.6	-1.1	-14.1	-8.3
Public administration	30.2	28.8	1.2	-1.4	-1.8	-4.4	-4.6	-5.9	-13.3

1. Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).

Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088.